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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/775,702 Confirmation No. 9171

Applicant : I. YAGISAWA et al

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Title : ARRAY-TYPE DISK APPARATUS PREVENTING LOST DATA  
AND PROVIDING IMPROVED FAILURE TOLERANCE  
(As Amended)

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Examiner : M.A. Bradley

Docket No. : NIT-5094

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 4, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

**Remarks / Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.